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Manager's Newsletter

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Beach Nourishment Project Update

Preparation for the Town's Beach Nourishment project is ongoing. This summer, the Town sent out 275 easement agreements, which allow construction and maintenance related to Beach Nourishment activities on private property. To date 215 signed easement documents have been returned and the Town is working with property owners to have one hundred percent of the documents returned.

The Town has also recently received the CAMA permit from the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality's division of Coastal Management for the project. Bid documents for the project have been reviewed by the involved Towns and Dare County and a pre-bid construction meeting with potential contractors is scheduled for December 15th. We hope to have bids returned by the end of January and award the bid by the end of March. Awarding the bid is contingent on successful financing and approval from the Local Government Commission (LGC).

Once the bid is awarded and proper financing and approvals are obtained, the project is tentatively scheduled to begin in late April or beginning of May.

Kitty Hawk Town Council Changes

At their December meeting Town Council recognized Councilwoman Emilie Klutz for 10 years of service to the Town. Ms. Klutz did not seek re-election. Council then welcomed newly elected Councilwoman Lynne McClean. Prior to serving on Council, Ms. McClean served on the Town's Planning Board. Councilman Ervin Bateman was also sworn in for his 4th term on Council.



From left: Councilman Ervin Bateman, wife, Teresa Bateman, Lynne McClean, husband, Tom Heffner and Councilwoman Emilie Klutz



Mayor Pro Tem Craig Garriss, wife, Karen Garriss and daughter Samantha Garriss

Holiday Trash Schedule

Due to Dare County's Holiday schedule, the Town's trash collection will be amended as follows:



Christmas Week

Residential Collection is Monday, December 21st ONLY.

Commercial collection will be Monday and Wednesday December 21st and 23rd



New Years Week

Residential Collection is Monday and Wednesday December 28th and 30th
Commercial collection will be Monday and Thursday December 28th and 31st



Santa is Visiting the Fire Department

Saturday, December 12

6:00 pm

Pictures and refreshments

Come share in the Christmas Spirit



Town Calendar

Planning Board Meeting

Thursday, December 17, 2015—6:00 pm

Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Town Offices Closed

Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th and Friday, January 1st.

Town Council Meeting

Monday, January 4th —6:00 pm

Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Town Council Meeting Broadcast, Charter Cable 191

Sunday, December 13th —1:00 pm & 7:00 pm





Tax Relief Programs

North Carolina offers three property tax relief programs for the permanent residence of qualified homeowners. If an owner qualifies for more than one program, only one can be selected to apply to the property. Each program has specific criteria that apply.

Elderly or Disabled Exclusions:

Applicants must be 65 years of age or totally and permanently disabled. In addition, the previous year's total income for both an applicant and spouse cannot exceed \$29,500 (gross).

Circuit Breaker Tax Deferment Program:

Applicants must be 65 years of age or totally and permanently disabled.

Under this program, taxes for each year are limited to a percentage of the owner's income.

Disabled Veteran Exclusion:

Honorably discharged disabled veterans or their unmarried surviving spouse may be eligible for a reduction in property tax. There is no age or income limitation on this program.

For more information on each of these programs or to request an application for the Elderly or Disabled Exclusion, please call Maggie Dennis at 252.475.5936 or or click: http://www.dornc.com/downloads/fillin/av9_2016.pdf and mail completed application to Dare County Appraisal, P O Box 1000, Manteo, NC 27954

Andy Stewart Hired as Town Manager

At a reception on November 19th the Town recognized the service of retiring Town Manager, John Stockton. Mr. Stockton retired effective December 1st and served the Town for over eight years as Town Manager.

Town Council has selected Andy Stewart to serve as the next Town Manager. Mr. Stewart served as the Assistant City Manager for the City of Satellite Beach (pop. 14,261) in Brevard County, Florida and has served as Assistant City Manager for the City of Auburndale and Town Manager for Dundee, Florida. He holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration and a Bachelor's in Accounting from the University of Central Florida.

Andy is married to Ricki Stewart who is a native of the Outer Banks and they have two children Elizabeth and Paul.

"I have been to the Outer Banks on many occasions while visiting family and I have always had a great appreciation for the culture and diversity of this area. The Town seems to be very stable and this made applying for the position attractive to me as a professional manager. I am looking forward to a long tenure with the Town of Kitty Hawk and working with the Mayor, Town Council, employees, and residents to continue moving the Town in a positive direction and providing quality services to the residents of Kitty Hawk."



A new scam was recently reported to the Kitty Hawk Police Department. In this particular incident the scammers went to great lengths to appear legitimate.

A resident received a call from a Las Vegas phone number, that she had won the Publishers Clearinghouse sweepstakes prize of \$2.5 million and a new car. She was told she would need to pay \$10,000 in taxes on the prize, and that a representative of the company would come to her residence to deliver \$200,000 of the prize money with the remainder being sent by UPS. The

resident was also told that Publishers Clearinghouse was working with Outer Banks Chevrolet to provide the vehicle and that she should go to the dealership to test drive the car.

To bolster the legitimacy of the scam, Outer Banks Chevrolet received a call from someone representing themselves as the resident's nephew. The caller told the dealership that he would be making a surprise purchase of a vehicle for the victim and to keep it a secret. The caller also specified which car the resident should test drive. Because of this call, the dealership unknowingly was drawn into the scam when the resident arrived to test drive the vehicle.

Fortunately, when the resident went to her bank, bank staff intervened, the police were called and the resident was not defrauded.

The Kitty Hawk Police Department strongly encourages anyone receiving an unexpected windfall to look carefully into their "prize". Legitimate prizes and sweepstakes never ask for money from the winners and rarely does anyone randomly win a prize, lottery, contest or other game of chance that they have not participated in.

Schedule Your Residential Security Checks While on Vacation for the Holidays



The Kitty Hawk Police Department Patrol Division provides residential security checks for any year round residence while they are out of town. A uniformed Patrol Officer will inspect the residence at least once in a 24-hour period. The officer will complete a residence check form after each inspection of the residence, and any abnormality discovered will be noted on the security check form. However, the

duration of this service is limited to 2 weeks. If you are planning a vacation and would like a security check of your home, you can contact the Police Department and provide our records personnel the information or complete the form below and bring the form to the Police Department.

All North Carolina Residents with Backyard Chickens Required to Register Flock

Due to concerns about the highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services requires all poultry owners, regardless of the number of birds, to register with NCFARMID. In the event of an outbreak, the state will be able to notify chicken owners in a quick and efficient manner. The link below provides information about HPAI (which at this point has not affected North Carolina) and how backyard chicken owners should register their birds.



Information gathered through registration will be used solely for animal health purposes and is confidential pursuant to N.C. General Statute 106-24.1. This critical data will provide animal health officials with necessary contact information in case of an animal health concern, and help identify animals and premises that may have been affected.

To register your flock and for more information on HPAI, visit the following link and click on the tab "Small-Flock/Backyard Chickens." [http://www.ncagr.gov/avianflu / index.htm](http://www.ncagr.gov/avianflu/index.htm)



***Kitty Hawk Fire Department is
Recruiting Volunteers
Incentives Available
Call 252-261-2666 for more
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